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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: James C. Anderson et al. § Group Art Unit: 3654

Serial No.: 10/643,793 §

Filed: August 19, 2003 §

For: Splicing Tape for Attaching a  
Leader Tape to Data Tape §

Examiner: William A. Rivera  
Atty. Dkt. No.: 200207635-1  
(HPC.0080US)

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JULY 2, 2004

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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PATENT APPLICATION

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

(X) Response/Amendment ( ) Petition to extend time to respond  
(X) New fee as calculated below ( ) Supplemental Declaration  
( ) No additional fee  
( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_ (fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY						
(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS	24	MINUS	22	= 2	X \$18	\$ 36
INDEP. CLAIMS	7	MINUS	4	= 3	X \$86	\$ 258
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$280	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$110.00	2ND MONTH \$420.00	3RD MONTH \$950.00	4TH MONTH \$1480.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 294

Charge \$ 294 to Deposit Account 08-2025. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.21 inclusive, and any other sections in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may regulate fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

James C. Anderson et al.

By

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